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Dear Mom & Dad,

Kiane has been home from school the last two days with the flu, but is feeling good now. We are wrapping presents. She made all of hers at a Christmas workshop up at school.

This morning Kiane decorated sugar cookies, which we had made before, and that kept her busy for quite a while. We frost them in different colors and she sprinkles several kinds of candies on them. I knew she wasn't over the flu, however, when she didn't want to eat any!

All your packages came and Kiane got to open one, and I opened mine. I just love the sweater, and ^{it} looks so nice with my black skirt. I also can wear it with pants. The gift Kiane opened was the little water game where you try

to shoot the rings onto the fish's nose. It's fun to play, and we've all spent a lot of time trying to get them all on.

We've been invited to some Christmas parties, but I still don't really enjoy leaving Diane with babysitters. We went to one before Mike left which Marnie offered to take care of Diane, which was nice. I'm going to call and cancel out of one this weekend since Diane's been sick.

How did your Christmas party go? I'm sure everyone had fun, as they always do when they all get together.

I still have several more things to get for Diane, which will have to wait until Mike gets home to stay with Diane.

Carolyn's going to come over here on Christmas since her boyfriend's going home for the holidays. Love, Mary